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APPLICANT: Tariq Khalidi
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A check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed and is to be received as the extension fee to respond to the Office Action dated August 14, 2003, now due February 17, 2004.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to note that the Office Action to which this amendment responds was mailed on August 14, 2003, thereby requiring a response on February 14, 2004. February 14, 2004 was a Saturday and February 16, 2004 was President's day, a national holiday. Therefore this amendment is timely filed on Tuesday, February 17, 2004.

Any added fees due with respect to this document or the amendment filed herewith should be charged to deposit account 11-1734, attorney docket number 10015-pa.

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